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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2004, and having a response due date set for January 19, 2005. The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper and include an amendment to the Abstract.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 9 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.